GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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Maintenance of Airports
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from abroad to operate and maintain airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has not yet taken any decision on the above proposals, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has sought any more clarification from the overseas operators in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) to (e): Yes, Madam. In January, 2016 Changi Airports International (CAI) was nominated by Singapore Cooperation Enterprise (SCE) as an Expert Party to cooperate with Airports Authority of India (AAI) on the Operation & Maintenance (O&M) arrangements for Ahmedabad and Jaipur airports in pursuance of an MoU signed on 24.11.2015 between SCE (on behalf of Government of Singapore) and AAI (on behalf of Government of India). A proposal was submitted by CAI for exploring the ways to implement the O&M projects at Ahmedabad and Jaipur airports. However, AAI did not agree to the proposal submitted by CAI as the terms stipulated by CAI were not financially viable. Hence, AAI decided not to proceed with the CAI proposal and go for open competitive bidding.